



The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station

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*Putting Science to Work for Society
Protecting Agriculture, Public Health, and the Environment*

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AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH TECHNICIAN I Department of Environmental Sciences

Candidates must have an MSc in microbiology or a related field with training in microbial ecology, molecular-plant microbe interactions, bacteria-plant interactions, or plant pathology. The candidate should demonstrate a commitment to work cooperatively, must be able to work independently as well as part of a team, have a willingness to learn, and possess strong written and verbal communication skills.

This is a durational position for up to 3 years subject to funding and performance and will be funded off the USDA-NIFA GRANT12940418 “Functional characterization of the flower microbiome in fruit development and resistance to plant disease”. The starting salary will be \$48,265 and includes health, dental and retirement benefits. This position is in New Haven, 35 hours per week, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. M-F.

The position will involve characterizing the microbial populations on apple flowers and their potential use in biocontrol applications. This will require both field and laboratory work. The position requires experience in PCR, high throughput sequence library construction and analysis.

When applying you will be required to attach the following electronic documents:

- 1) A Curriculum Vitae;
- 2) The names and contact information (including email addresses) for three professional references

Please send the above materials to **Dr. Blaire Steven** at blaire.steven@ct.gov.

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Application deadline: 15 September 2020

Start date: 25 September 2020

Location: The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station

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